

**VOTE ON
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Golden Gater



Radio Announcer Ted Lenz Criticizes Academic Radio Study



TED LENZ

Academic study in the field of radio was sharply criticized here last week by Ted Lenz, KSAN program director, who visited the State to judge the radio section of Delta Sigma's semi-annual speech arts contest for high school students.

"The varying techniques of broadcasting studios," he said, "make it virtually impossible to teach a method of program presentation that will be acceptable with all station directors."

"Further," he added, "the procedure of most radio work is taught simply and quickly in the station itself and I've known few instances where previous academic study was of practical use."

When questioned on opportunities in radio, he answered that

drama is a limited field today but, with the coming of television, will offer promising careers to thousands of actors and actresses. The program director further revealed that several branches of radio are consistently overlooked — that of writing, producing, engineering and sales departments can use more talent than they have now.

Turning to announcing positions, he said, "Here there is a constant turnover and chance for immediate employment, but for men only. Directors," he continued, "will use women only in commercials, specialties and, of course, drama."

Mr. Lenz, who is a veteran of many professions, including sage and screen acting, concluded by expressing a sentiment that radio is the most interesting business in the world.

Nursery Isolation Wards Established

An isolation ward for the nursery school will soon be established in the Armenian Church building, located near the campus at McCoppin St. and Elgin Park. Mrs. Lynette Messer, supervisor of the nursery school announced today. The new quarters were made available through the courtesy of church officials, and they will fill a long-felt need for a place to segregate children suffering from colds and other minor communicable diseases. The date of opening the new ward will depend upon getting certain equipment now under order, Mrs. Messer said.

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Activity Cards Must Be Completed

Students who are members of clubs or any other campus organizations should bring their activity cards up to date, in Dean Mary Ward's office. Directions are posted in the office.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

TODAY

Music Federation Party — Sigmund Stern Grove — 8 to 12 P.M.

Student Advisory Council Party — Frederic Burk — 4 to 5 o'clock

Wednesday, May 17

Delta Sigma Nu Meeting — Room 114 Frederic Burk — 4 to 6 o'clock

Phi Lambda Chi Cake Sale — College Hall — 11 to 1 o'clock

Friday, May 19

Associated Women Students and Women's Athletic Association Tea — Activities Room — 4 to 6 o'clock

Newman Club Plans Irish Stew Dinner

The Newman Club announces an Irish Stew Dinner, Wednesday, May 17, at 5:15, at the Siena Club. All those planning to attend put their names in P.O. box 406 by Monday.

Lack of Interest Threatens Defeat Of Constitution and Articles Of Incorporation; Final Vote Monday

By Bill Marrinan

The long-planned and badly needed organization of student body interests is facing possible defeat at the College polls next Monday and Wednesday.

Of the handful of votes that have been cast to date, a majority reject the Articles of Incorporation which are designed to knit the various campus financial units into one corporate body which can, in turn, deal as ONE body, with the State and Federal government, thereby simplifying our legal entity and making impossible of recurrence the tax mess which developed because the Associated Students were not properly identified as a non-profit organization.

The most likely reason for negative voting on the Articles appears to be a lack of information as to just what they mean to the students. Student Body President, Aubrey Wedling; Business Manager, Dave Schutz, and Attorney Robert Foucke, who drew up the Articles, all recommend their passage.

President Wendling is hopeful that passage of the Articles of Incorporation will help win the tax suit now pending against the students for \$1500 in back taxes on the co-op.

Open Discussion Monday

There will be a general Student Body meeting in Annex A12 on Monday at 12 o'clock at which time the Articles will be more fully explained. The voting will close at 4 p.m., Monday evening. Votes may be cast at the noon meeting.

If the Articles are not passed, then adoption of the new constitution

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MARRIED



VIRGINIA OTIS
WEDS IN RENO

Virginia Otis, low Sophomore at State, was married to Geo. G. Steele in Reno last Saturday it was announced today by Mrs. Emily Rogers, the bride's mother.

The wedding, which was informal, was followed with a dinner party at Reno's Columbo hotel.

Virginia, who is a social science major, returned to classes Monday and will complete the current term after which time she will transfer to the University of Nevada and live in Reno where her husband is employed.

Mayor Lapham Asks Staters' Support On Trolley Purchase

Over two hundred State students trekked down to Frederic Burk auditorium last Wednesday to hear Mayor Roger D. Lapham urge an affirmative vote for the Market St. Railway purchase on the grounds that, although the price is relatively high, we must coordinate our transportation system into a single network under one control if the city is to go forward efficiently and speedily to the bright destiny that current trends promise to the Pacific Ocean's greatest seaport.

Beginning with the assertion that his was not a political stand, he promised that the purchase would increase available trolleys by over ten per cent, speed up service considerably, offer a universal transfer, and make possible at war's end, the elimination of two sets of Market st. tracks.

Revealing that his proposal would be no additional burden to the tax payers he said,

"The entire down payment of two million dollars would be taken from an existing Muni-line surplus fund and the remaining five and one-half million from the profits during the next three years of operations."

STATE HOST TO 250 ORATORS IN TWO-DAY TOURNEY

Climaxing two days of verbal festivities, Caroline Nahman, the chairman of the semi-annual Delta Sigma Forensic Tournament, presented a galaxy of medals and trophies last week-end to a host of orators ranging from junior high school students to high school seniors.

The two-day affair, which is the outstanding activity of Delta Sigma each semester, had 250 contestants.

As is usually the case, Lowell High School had the largest representation, particularly in men's oratory. Telegrams from Lakeport, Hollywood, and Los Angeles High Schools indicated that because of transportation difficulties they were unable to attend the tournament. Tracy Union High School was the delegate for the valley schools. Oakland High School entered six teams, as did Aptos Jr. High School. Incidentally, young Teddy Finman of Aptos, snatched a third place rating in extemporaneous speaking while competing against high school students.

Awards consisted of gold medals to first place winners; silver medals to second place winners; and gold perpetual memorial cups to the victors of the junior and senior debate contests. Lowell orators placed highest in most of the competition, consequently winning the sweepstakes cup.

STATERS JUDGES

Judges in the five types of oratory (radio announcing, debating, extemporaneous speaking, and men's and women's oratory) were instructors from State, speech students, several Stanford and California students, and numerous special guests. Among the guests were Mr. Ted Lenz, manager of radio station KSAN, who judged with a weather eye open for potential announcers; Miss Louise Winters, former KSFO music librarian, now working for the OWI and ex-Staters Frank Gillio, Rich-

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Beta Pi Sigma Shows Munitions Films

Two films, "Handle With Care" on the munitions industry, issued by the O.W.I., and a comedy "Baby Checkers" were shown this week by Beta Pi Sigma. The films were borrowed from the U.C. Extension Division.

The club will sponsor a speaker from the Department of Agriculture on May 23rd. His topic will be "Plant Quarantine". All members as well as other students are invited to attend.

Elizabeth Ann Howard, president of Beta Pi Sigma, also announced that there will be an election of club officers next week and plans made for their semi-annual dinner which is scheduled for June 2nd. Members expecting to attend the dinner must notify Margaret Bertolli, Box 105. The price is \$1.75.

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About "The Women" -- Some Remarks

By EARL ANDERSON

Deadline for the Golden Gater is several days before the paper reaches its readers. Last week's paper carried a review of "The Women" based not on performance but on what this writer saw at a dress rehearsal. Deadlines made this necessary.

It is very difficult to prognosticate success or failure for an amateur play on the basis of a dress rehearsal. If one is sure that it will be a success and writes a pre-dated review saying as much, Fate may step in and everything goes wrong. As a result, last week's review tried to hew to a middle course. This is written after having seen three performances of the play.

Army Camp Offers

"The Women" was one of the biggest successes in College Theater's history. So great was the audience response that it could have warranted several extra performances. If campus policy permitted the show could take advantage of several invitations to play for the Army camps, off campus. Performances varied slightly from night to night but in general they achieved a high level of excellence. Through an inexcusable oversight, Mary Menikta was not mentioned in last week's article. Mary was superb. Her work elicited spontaneous applause from the audience following each of her scenes. Her stage business, her expressions, her fine sense of timing, and her understanding of the character who is a complete

Shearer Excels

Margaret Shearer invested her role with a quiet dignity and poise and a depth of feeling deserving of comment. In addition, she was a very lovely sight to see in some most attractive costumes. If her performance in the dress rehearsal was somewhat perfunctory, it was emphatically not in the three performances before an audience. Each night she was excellent.

Gladys Bingham as 'Miriam' contributed one of the most sparkling characterizations in the play. She had a sparkle, a vividness, and a rich, lusty sense of humor that recalled to mind Carole Lombard. She made the most of every line and added a brightness to every scene of which she was part.

Carole Hacke's comedy was delightful. Acid, vapid, and cold-blooded, she handled her first leading role with assurance and poise, and a fine sense of timing.

Lorraine LaCava's 'Little Mary' was one of the finest performances in a cast where excellent work was the rule rather than the exception. Her charm as a child, and her heart-felt emotion in her two crying scenes touched everyone. Jean Graham's grandmother was another fine job. She didn't stoop to any of the cliches generally resorted to in portraying age and the honesty with which she dealt with the character added to its effectiveness.

Metals Important To Victory

Of greater value to America than gold or silver are the metals tungsten, chrome, manganese, antimony, nickel, and molybdenum. Metals little known a century ago, these now are the materials which feed the hungry maw of industry and make it possible for us to continue to build tanks and planes, the bouncing jeeps and the versatile jeeps.

It has been said that this is a war of materials and that victory will go to the nation possessing the most, and making the best use, of them. Perhaps this is so. We do know that metal is needed in almost every phase of modern warfare, from the bullet that plows through the air to the gun that sends it forth.

Before the war many metals were imported from abroad, but

with the cutting off of some of our sources of supply it became necessary for us to develop our resources and to forage in our own backyard. The gold rush of '49 was duplicated in the rush of '41 and '42, nearly one hundred years later, but the treasures sought were more practical than the gold which lured our ancestors.

Men came from all over the country to take part in this new search. And ghost towns between the Rockies and the Sierra Nevada stirred to life and were reborn. By January 1942 over half a hundred old mines had been reopened, and no doubt many more are functioning today.

Strange how our standards of value change when life becomes more complex and our needs become more real.

Notes From The Alley

By Jim Lindsey

The concert presented last Friday night by the College Symphony was a musical success, and all present were greatly pleased by the performance. There was a notable lack of interest, however, on the part of the State student body in general. It was interesting to note that those who complain loudest about music majors' alleged lack of interest in student activities were strongly absent themselves on this occasion.

Although accused by many of being passive in their interest in San Francisco State outside of the Music Alley, musical members of the student body were interested, in some cases to a slightly profane extent, in the editorial appearing in last week's Gater. We, at least, are proud to say that we go to "State," and if we can ever get enough units together, we'll be proud to graduate from here. Needless to say, former Staters, both in and out of the service, were quite resentful of the suggestion.

To those of us who have been knocking around the "campus" for a few years, the name, "San Francisco State" means plenty. In several fields, the name carries considerable prestige well beyond

the borders of California. It means a love of school typified by the late Capt. Fred Hinze's naming ill-fated bomber the "Golden Gater." It means friendly spirit one feels as he enters to walk the creaking floors of College Hall. It has been said that every day is "Hello Day" at State. A friend who had attended both schools once said: "... to me, 'California' means a beautiful campus, but 'State' means real friends."

Of course, there are things we would like to change here at the College, but we think that is rather childish just to change a name, rather than work to change specific policies which may consider detrimental to the school itself.

Next Wednesday noon, in the Frederic B. Auditorium, the Music Federation presents another in its series of Noon Hour Concerts. This time the student body will have another opportunity to hear one of its top musical organizations, the A Cappella Choir. Through its many transcontinental appearances, the Choir has a wide and enviable reputation. As this may be the last on-campus program by the organization this term, you would be unfortunate to miss it. I'll see you there.

SHOTS AT BOREDOM

BY DON PAGANI

The night of the game, in the year of 1935, was being commemorated in the Persian room of the Drake. Cal and State men were celebrating and drowning their sorrows in that order. A couple was sitting under a flattering yellow light that flooded over them from the ceiling. "We had a good baseball team this year even if we did lose," he reflected. "Yes," she mused, with a tiny smile teasing the lines about her mouth, "and if you'd been eligible this year, we might have won." "It isn't all brains and speed that wins games," he pondered.

The music slowed to a mere sedate tempo. He rose quite gallantly extending his arm, in a gesture that had been lost for many and many a year.

"Shall we waltz, my dear?"

They moved out of that friendly light into the shadows that revealed his stooped shoulders and her snow white hair.

The little card on the table said . . . "Reserved for Mr. and Mrs. Nazar, Class '47."

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A girl we know has a little chum in the R.A.F. and once in a while she gets letters from him. One

"No," he replied dreamily "what's playing?"

Evidently We Don't Intend to Walk in Europe



Army Signal Corps Photo

This Army picture shows just one of the temporary parks for half-track troop carriers somewhere in England. Obviously our leaders are going on the theory of "getting there fustest with the mostest." Buying War Bonds makes this possible.

Polly's Crackers

BY POLLY REDDELL

CONGRATULATIONS

To State's Leota Margaret Childers and Cpl. Charles F. Hicks of the U. S. Army, who were married two weeks ago and spent their honeymoon in Carmel. . . . To Vida Sharman and Attorney Richard Macky on their engagement . . . and to Alberta Scholz and Dr. Edward Mayer . . .

Did anyone notice how Bill Marrinan's eyes popped out when Pat Hopkins was taking that bath? And the scenery almost collapsed in "The Women." Speaking of the term play, pairing were

Pete Padilla and Marilyn Thorsand, Helena Mitchell and her heart of St. Mary's College, Bill

Marrinan and Norma Ramsgard, Lorraine Thomas and Bob McInnes . . . Eleanor Stone and Muriel Miller were seen at the 42 Club after the play and so was Jo Damon, Cecil Levin and Dick Raiael

even John Harvey and his girl friend, Grace, were there. . . .

Instead of reading her text book in class Bobbie Dennis gazes upon the picture of her fiancé, James Otis De Frantz. . . . Retraction of a state-

ment in last week's column, Bonnie Howard's hus-

band is not a seaman of the Sub Branch but Electrician's Mate Third Class. . . . Incidentally Bonnie's sister, Evelyn, is going to be married . . . Remember the Major that asked Noreen Scarle for a date on the back of a menu and she wouldn't accept? Well, she did and had a wonderful time . . . Jewell Asche was seen picnicing over

Lake Anza with Phil Duffeld and Willie Couch . . . isn't one fellow enough? . . . Elaine Roe

anxiously waiting for a return letter from Earl Hahn of the "U.S.S. The Sullivans," she hasn't met him yet, but is all excited from his letters

maybe something will bloom this spring and we don't mean flowers. . . . Was rumored that a big

soph, a blonde and cute, is mooning over a Bob Porter of the Army Air Corps. . . . The male shortage is really getting serious, lately Don

Pagan was seen cornered in one of the Co-Op booths by five girls, of course you can't blame the girls

and every one knows it wouldn't take a male

shortage to bring about the same situation . . .

Incidentally Ruth Warren was out at Lake Anza Sunday also, but won't admit who the man was

State Hears Traditional Folk Songs to Strumming of Dulcimer

By DICK CUSHING

Ages-old American folk ballads, sung to the soft strumming of the strange guitar-like dulcimer, filled the Frederic Burk auditorium on Tuesday as personable John Jacob Niles brought State students a bit of the traditional folk music as sung in Kentucky and the Appalachian mountains many generations ago.

The gray-haired, 53-year-old singer, tweedy appearing in brown suit and black shirt and tie, took the capacity audience to his heart and even permitted the youngsters from Frederic Burk to examine the three dulcimers, which he made himself.

"GREAT FIGURE"

He was introduced by Dr. Elias Arnesen as a truly great figure who had delved deep into this country's grass roots to resurrect and preserve the old traditional songs.

Niles started off with the explanation that he knew little of the cowboy folklore but that his father had urged him to sing tra-

ditional mountain songs as a career, and that he felt each generation should take something from the generation before, as the Greeks and Germans did. He took down old songs in their original form, so that his ballads were



JOHN JACOB NILES

precisely as first sung. He has made recordings and published sheet music.

HIGH REGISTER

Niles first sang "I Wonder As I Wander Out Under the Sky," reaching extremely high notes without apparent strain. His high notes seemed almost in the falsetto register, although he insists they are not. A slight rasping in the medium scale could have been due to a chest congestion which brought the apology that "I'm really not feeling so well — you know how a clock runs down."

Among his most warmly-applauded songs were "She Was a Lass of High Degree," "Barbara Allen," "Jack o' Diamonds," and "Mary Had Seven Joys."

Niles appeared later in the week at Mills College and the University of California.

Gater Ad Service

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ADVANCED Piano Student wanted to play accompaniment for voice student. One hour per day at your convenience, as many days as possible. \$1.00 per hour. See Dean Ward's office.

MANY Positions for summer work are offered by the Forest Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. If interested, see Dean Ward's Bulletin Board for details.

STUDENTS who desire summer work with agencies sponsoring recreational programs for children and who need training in crafts, may obtain such training at the YWCA from 10 to 12 a.m., May 4, May 11, May 18 and May 25, at 620 Sutter street. See Miss Doris Holtz. There is no charge for the course.

POSITIONS are open for Directors, Life Guards and Craft teachers at the Mendocino County Camp near Fort Bragg, sponsored by the San Francisco Boys' Club. The camp will run from June 24 to August 23. Room, board and travel expenses will be included in the salaries, which run from \$100 to \$150 for the month. Mr. Dan Farmer has the details.

More On Debate Turney

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ard Raphael, and Marine Corporal Bob Segurson.

QUIPSTERS HUMOROUS

The humorous highlights of the tournament occurred when one contestant applied Gypsy Rose Lee's attire as an analogy to the flimsiness of the opposition's case. Another classic comment was, "The opposition's case is just like the hoop skirts, girls used to wear — they went all the way around the subject without touching it."

The smooth running tournament was planned by Caroline Nahman, who directed the complicated affair completely with student sponsorship.

Commenting on the event Miss Nahman remarked, "I would like to express my appreciation to the faculty and students for their wholehearted cooperation in helping to make the tournament a success. Without their help and understanding the affair would not have been as successful as it was."

The Co-op, with the assistance of Alpha Omega, served dinner to the assemblage Friday evening and remained open all day Saturday.

—By Harry Erlich

FRANCISCAN IN FINISHING STAGE

Sights of relief from overworked journal staffsmen could be heard all over the campus as the Franciscan went to press. Editor Mary McGrath has worked long and hard to produce a journal worthy of past standards, despite war shortages and limited funds. The very few who have been able to see the yearbook say that it is fascinating.

Drawings for the section pages were done by Lucille Morse, Muriel Miller, Elenore Stone, and Ed Murray.

Other details of the journal will remain undisclosed until the book

NEWS FROM STATERS IN THE ARMED FORCES

Don Sparrowe, freshman of a few terms ago, is somewhere in the South Pacific with the 13th Bomber Command. Don is an Aerial Gunner. Bob Kitchen is overseas also and as yet even his family doesn't know where. Last year's hero Captain Frank Grancucci of the Marine Corps is now a father. Wife Lucille (nee Ashton) and baby are doing fine. S/Sgt. Heinrich Graafls was the first paratrooper to land in Sicily. Lt. Ed Smith of the Marine Corps was wounded in the Tarawa battle but is doing well now. Gene Numoff is in New Caledonia.

Jim Witt and Phil Cain are headed for Northwestern for Navy training. Ensign Jack Flemmer is in Boston. Columbia University just graduated Ensign Bill Paizes, who is now on his way to New York with Don Rush. Werner Steinbach just received his wings and the gold bars of a Second Lt. as did Dario Cassona of the Marine Corps. Bill Shinn received his April 15th. After a year and a half, Texas has given Pete Cuttitta back to California and Pete has given Texas back to the Indians. He is now at Ford Ord.

Lew Posich just transferred to the Air Corps Intelligence at Tampa, Florida. Lt. (j.g.) George Mirande, now in Texas, will be a father soon. Vernon Reese is at O.C.S. Lt. Bob Osegueda is still in Pensacola. Dick Wallace of the Marine Corps just entered officers training at Quantico, Va.

The ability to speak several languages is an asset, but to be able to hold your tongue in one language is priceless.

is issued sometime after the first of June.

Editor Mary McGrath asks that those who have not done so please pay their deposit in the Franciscan office, Annex A-3, as soon as possible.

More On Constitution

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tution, the existence of which contingent upon the legal being of the Articles, will not follow and the Student Body will face the necessity of beginning all over again the task of straightening out their legal difficulties.

However, if the Articles are passed, a vote will be taken on the adoption of the Constitution next Wednesday. If the Constitution receives a majority affirmative vote, then the entire student organization will be fully integrated on legal and practical grounds.

Student Body Election

If both the Articles and Constitution are passed next week, the machinery for a general Student Body election will immediately be set in motion.

By Wednesday, May 24th, prospective nominees for executive board offices must have a petition signed by fifty Student Body members. The Judicial committee will accept or reject the names offered for nomination and those nominated will have their names listed on the official ballots.

There will be an election on Monday, May 29. The election will be held on Wednesday, May 31.

The offices to be filled are: student body president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, rail commission and seven executive board members-at-large, at least three of which must be selected from lower division ranks.

Lieutenant to Address

WAVE Prospects Thursday

Lieutenant Williamson of the Waves Recruiting Office will address all students who are interested in securing further information about the Waves on Thursday, June 1, at 1 p.m. in room 219.

The group assembling in room 219 will be largely seniors who are planning to teach.



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